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Also, a clarification on the second quote --the more durable fibers are used in indoor installs (since they get significant additional useage).

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Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Verizon Wireless 4G LTE network.



Good afternoon to all,

I hope this email finds you well. We have greatly appreciated Sprinturf's support and engagement as we implement the *Federal Research Action Plan on the Use of Tire Crumb on Playing Fields and Playgrounds*. As you may know, by the end of the year, the agencies will release a draft status report that describes the findings and conclusions of the research through that point in time. The status report also will outline additional research needs and next steps.

We're planning to include a preliminary summary of the information we've learned through our outreach and engagement efforts, including the process by which synthetic turf fields are constructed, installed and maintained, in the status report. While we will primarily draw from publically available sources (e.g. reports/studies, web sites, etc.), we would like to include a piece of information you provided us during our conference call in May. As we promised, I am contacting you in advance to provide you with an opportunity to review the personal communication that we would like to cite (highlighted below). Please confirm in an email back to me that the highlighted text is accurate, or provide any edits you wish to make, at your earliest convenience – but if possible, no later than 11/14. Thank you again. We sincerely appreciate your continued support and engagement on this issue.

“There are approximately eight major synthetic field installers in the U.S. with the largest being national in scope, installing coast to coast (Sprinturf, 2016). Synthetic turf fields are installed for recreational activities or for playing football, soccer, lacrosse, and a multitude of other sports.

Outdoor fields are more common than indoor fields (FieldTurf, 2016), with some sources indicating that indoor fields constitute approximately five to 15 percent of the market (Sprinturf, 2016). The differences in the construction between outdoor and indoor fields are limited to the

use of a more durable fiber (Sprinturf, 2016) and the use of a different adhesive (FieldTurf, n.d.-c).”

Best,

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